

Introduced by Senator Alpert

February 21, 2003

An act to add Section 53115.4 to the Government Code, relating to emergency services.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 911, as introduced, Alpert. Local emergency telephone systems: 911 Administrative Board.

The Warren-911-Emergency Assistance Act directs the Communications Division of the Department of General Services to consult regularly with specified agencies, officials, and entities, including local representatives from cities and counties to accomplish its responsibilities with respect to the establishment by local agencies of 911 telephone service.

This bill would create the State 911 Administrative Board comprised of specified members appointed by the Governor to approve, modify, or deny decisions of the division pursuant to this act. The division would be required to obtain board approval in carrying out its duties under the act and members of the board would serve 2-year terms, except as specified.

The bill would also require the board to meet quarterly in public session and the division to provide administrative support to the board. The bill would provide that members may receive reimbursement for travel and per diem.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.



The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 53115.4 is added to the Government Code, to read:

53115.4. (a) There is in state government the State 911 Administrative Board. In carrying out its duties under this article, the Communications Division shall obtain the approval of a majority of the board present and voting. The board shall adopt procedures and criteria consistent with the requirements of this article for the approval, modification, or denial of the division's decisions.

(b) The board shall be comprised of the following members appointed by the Governor who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor for not more than two terms.

(1) The Statewide Manager of the California 911 Emergency Communications Office, or his or her designee.

(2) The president of the California National Emergency Number Association Board (CalNENA), or his or her designee.

(3) One representative from the California Highway Patrol.

(4) Two representatives from City Public Safety Answering Points, on the recommendation of the California Police Chiefs' Association.

(5) Two representatives from County Public Safety Answering Points, on the recommendation of the California State Sheriffs' Association.

(6) One representative from the telephone service providers, elected by the CalNENA membership.

(7) One representative from the customer premise equipment vendors, elected by the CalNENA membership.

(8) Two representative from any Public Safety Answering Point, elected by the CalNENA membership.

(c) Board members shall be current members of the National Emergency Number Association (NENA) and employed as a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) manager or county coordinator, except where a specific person is designated as a member, for those representatives from the telephone service providers and the customer premise equipment vendors.

(d) Each member shall serve a two-year term, except as follows:

1 (1) The presiding California 9-1-1 Emergency
2 Communications Statewide Manager shall serve for the duration
3 of his or her tenure.

4 (2) The CalNENA president shall serve a one-year term in
5 accordance with the term of the CalNENA position. This person
6 may be elected by the CalNENA membership the previous year or
7 the post-presidential year to facilitate a two-year term.

8 (3) Four of the remaining members shall serve an initial term
9 of three years.

10 (e) Board members shall not receive compensation for their
11 service on the board but may be reimbursed for travel and per diem
12 for time spent in attending meetings of the board.

13 (f) The board shall meet quarterly in public sessions in
14 accordance with the provisions of the Bagley-Keene Open
15 Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of
16 Chapter 2 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2). The Communications
17 Division shall provide administrative support to the board. The
18 board, at its first meeting, shall adopt bylaws and operating
19 procedures consistent with this article.

